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Dear Sir:

This preliminary amendment is submitted in response to the filing of this continuation application on June 27, 2000, and in response to the office action issued in parent case 08/944,396 on December 28, 1999 and revived for purposes of this continuation on October 30, 2000.

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

1(Amended). A method of managing from a client station a target object at a remote station via a telecommunications network, said method comprising the steps of:

- (a) generating a client object forming a representation of said target object, which client object is configured to identify features of said target object which can be manipulated and to implement methods which support remote manipulation of said features;
- (b) registering said target object and a network adaptor for a network protocol with a framework at said remote station;
- (c) associating said client object with a network adaptor for said network protocol at said client machine; and
- (d) enabling a client application to access said methods which support remote manipulation by instantiating said client object.